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FIRST EDITION.

GREELEYISM DYING OUT.

THE COUNTRY CAN'T BE HUMBUGGED.

The People for Their Own Interests and Against a Change.

The Signs of the Times Interpreted by the New York Herald, which Up to this Time Has Favored Greeley.

[From the New York Herald, Saturday, August 24.]

From the accounts furnished by our special correspondents in this State and elsewhere, as well as from other indications of the popular feeling, it is evident that *the enthusiasm for Greeley and the opposition movement is dying out, and is succeeded by a "sober second thought," which holds men back from the change proposed by those who have been endeavoring to ruin us by a spirit of hostility to the United States to the end of "Anything to beat Grant."* No doubt a great deal of dissatisfaction has been created by the policy of the administration, and had the bold and rash ideas of the Liberals been carried out in a single campaign, the result would have been very different from what it is likely to be. Elsewhere the preparations of the administration party have been equally thorough, and they have the great advantage of controlling all the patronage and other influence of the government. In the event of a close election, whether directed to the success of one party or another's, or whether the issue be submitted or not—it is impossible for the payments.

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The Receding Tide.

THE TRIBUNE ALARMED AND SHRIEKS FOR HELP.

Thus Far All Has Been Delusion, and THE DESPAIRING CRY.

"We Are Likely to be Beaten, Unless We Do More Than We Are Doing."

The *Tribune* of Saturday has an article shrieking for help, which unmistakably is from Mr. Greeley's own pen. No one can read it without perceiving that the writer was ready to give all as lost, and that to prevent Grant's election was next to impossible. It is the cry of despair. We quote:

There are no doubt Liberal and Democrats enough in the United States to elect Mr. Greeley President in November. Whether they will do it or not is another question, the answer to which depends almost as much upon the manner in which they conduct the campaign as upon their numerical strength. It is certain that the Liberals and Conservatives, for instance, have a large majority in North Carolina; but their opponents there were admirably organized, and brought their whole strength to bear so effectively that if they could not secure a genuine victory they at least saved themselves from rout. Elsewhere the preparations of the administration party have been equally thorough, and they have the great advantage of controlling all the patronage and other influence of the government. In the event of a close election, whether directed to the success of one party or another's, or whether the issue be submitted or not—is impossible for the present to say. Anything to beat Grant." No doubt a great deal of dissatisfaction has been created by the policy of the administration, and had the bold and rash ideas of the Liberals been carried out in a single campaign, the result would have been very different from what it is likely to be

The Daily Commercial.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 1872.

It is a fact of no little significance that the GREELEY papers have begun to abuse CHARLES O'CONOR. They say he is unpopular with the people, and not much of a man any way. Time was when papers like the Cincinnati *Enquirer* were loud in their praises of him, and even regarded him with great favor as a Democratic Presidential candidate. Now that Democrats propose to run him, all this has changed with the GREELEY Democracy, who by their course betray the anxiety which the use of Mr. O'CONOR'S name has produced in connection with the present canvass.

THE Greeleyites are losing faith and by all manner of shifts trying to keep their courage up. For instance, one newspaper advocate says it won't do to pin faith to the September and October elections—*for*, although they may go against GREELEY, his "personal popularity" will carry him through in November. "He is stronger than his supporters, and is going to run ahead of his ticket," is the talk with which the despondents undertake to comfort themselves. They might as well give it up at once, though few will be disposed to quarrel with them for doing it gradually.

THE Greeleyites started into the Maine September canvass avowing that they were going to carry the State, and apparently confident of their ability to do it. They summoned speakers then from every quarter, and, to make things sure, Mr. GREELEY went himself. Two weeks ago they renewed the declaration of their confidence and positively manifested defiance. Just about then the Republicans began to wake up, and Mr. BLAINE to shake himself. Since then a change has come over the spirit of dream of the Greeleyites, who now say that they don't expect to carry the State in September, but will do it in November—if the September majority against them is not too great. As a matter of fact, we suspect Maine will be Republican somewhere in the neighborhood of 8,000 in September, and as much more in November as is wanted.

WITHIN ten days we have heard of a considerable number of representative Democrats declaring their intention to vote for GRANT, on the ground that GREELEY'S election would be an irreparable disaster to the country. There is every reason to believe that the number of Democrats who take this view of duty, and have determined to support GRANT, is very great and rapidly increasing. As the campaign progresses and the time for voting approaches, reflecting men consider their duty seriously, and GREELEY is necessarily the loser. Whoever goes among the people will at once discover that this is the most conspicuous sign of the times, at the present moment. As GREELEY relies on Pennsylvania to elect him, and on BUCKALEW to carry Pennsylvania, it follows of course that no anti-GREELEY man can vote for BUCKALEW.

GENERAL JUBAL A. EARLY takes the trouble to contradict the statements which have been made that he favors the election of the Republican Presidential ticket. His affection for GREELEY is not of an overwhelming character, but he is good enough to say that he greatly prefers him to GRANT, and that, should the sanguine expectations of his supporters be realized, he—the said EARLY—will readily concede to them all the glory and honor, and further, will not dispute with them any of the spoils of victory. This is quite magnanimous on the part of EARLY—although he hazards very little in making such a promise. "Victory" and "spoils" were not particularly familiar things to the doughty General during the first rebellion against the government, led by LEE, and it may be safely set down that they will not be during this second attempt to obtain possession of it, under GREELEY. General EARLY has evidently not forgotten Fisher's Hill, nor the tremendous rate at which PHIL SHERIDAN sent him "whirling up the valley," and this recollection makes him duly modest, for which he is to be commended.

INCOMPLETE returns from West Virginia indicate the probable defeat of the new Constitution and the re-election of the present Governor, JACOBS, by a majority of between two and three thousand. The proposition to disqualify negroes from holding offices—submitted to the people for a separate vote—is probably defeated by a still heavier majority. While this election was quite exceptional in its character, the result, so far as the principle underlying the contest is concerned, is a pronounced anti-GREELEY victory: for the reason that the present Democratic organization in that State is controlled by the extreme Southern or State rights wing of the party, and that the so-called "Liberal" recalcitrants gave their sympathy and support to these reactionists. The struggle was a square contest between Greeleyism and anti-Greeleyism; and the outcome of the battle shows that, while in West Virginia, as in other States, the worst elements of the Democratic party rally to the support of the Baltimore candidate, its best elements are as much opposed to him there as in other places. The Republicans of that State have reaped a solid advantage, whose effects will be felt encouragingly all over the country. Now for Maine.

JUDGE HOADLEY'S speech at Cincinnati, printed in the COMMERCIAL of Saturday, cannot fail to exert a marked influence on the political campaign. The calm and temperate character of the address will commend it to all fair minded men, while the tortuous and huckstering processes therein described, whereby the Liberal movement, of whom Judge HOADLEY was one of the earliest projectors, was perverted from its legitimate design and made to subserve the worst purposes of the most unscrupulous politicians in the country, will disgust all honest and well-intentioned readers without respect to party. Judge HOADLEY'S epigrammatic grouping of the points which go to make up Mr. GREELEY'S "eminent unwisdom," will also cause many persons not wholly satisfied with the present administration to thoroughly reconsider their *half-formed* purpose of voting for him, formed under a mistaken impression concerning his supposed political sagacity and trustworthiness. No wonder that such earnest and sincere men as Judge HOADLEY, ex-Secretary COX, Judge STALLO, STANLEY MATTHEWS, and others, of whose genuine desire for reform the movement was originally born, witnessing the degradation into which it has dragged, withdraw from it in sore disappointment and grief, for that the straightforward masses of the country, irrespective of party lines or divisions, should everywhere regard it with ever-increasing feelings of repudiation and contempt.

MR. GREELEY AND PENSIONS TO REBELS.

There is a much more satisfactory way for the personal organ of Mr. GREELEY to dispose of the wide-spread impression that the Baltimore candidate is in favor of paying pensions to rebel soldiers, than by flying in a rage whenever the subject is mentioned, and stigmatizing those who allude to it as "lost to self-respect." If Mr. GREELEY will simply say, over his own signature, that he is opposed to any such proposition, that the subject has never been broached to him by any person whatever, and that those Southern journals and orators that assume him to be in favor of such a project are guilty of misrepresenting his views and opinions, the whole matter would be definitely settled. There is no necessity for that paper to quote the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution to prove that such payments are inhibited by organic national law. The people of the country have not yet forgotten its warm indorsement of JERE. BLACK'S recent letter, in which he denounced those amendments as "fraud," and called upon the reactionists to support GREELEY because his election would "begin the process of their extinction." Mr. GREELEY'S organ included this threatened "extinction" in the number of "Reforms which GREELEY'S election would introduce," and cited it as one of the existing "reasons for Democratic support" of its principal. Granted, therefore, that an inhibiting clause of the Constitution prevents the execution of such a scheme for the time being. How long, in the event of Mr. GREELEY'S election, would it probably be before an attempt would be made to change it? And why should Confederate bonds suddenly assume a marketable value on the mere strength of his nomination? The question is not what Mr. GREELEY proposes to do, so much as what his backers and managers have determined that he shall do. If the candidate is at odds with them on this point, let him say so, distinctly and unequivocally, that the whole controversy may be finally set at rest.

DESERTION OF GREELEY BY BUCKALEW.

It is reported that BUCKALEW is in sympathy with the straight-out movement, which has for its object the nomination of CHARLES O'CONOR or some other straight Democrat. His silence concerning GREELEY certainly favors the probability of the report. Senator WALLACE, in his Greensburg speech, did not attempt to disguise his disgust regarding Greeley'sm, and in more ways than one has he indicated that he would not take on badly if the entire arrangement went to the dogs. Indeed, it ought to surprise no one should WALLACE come out for the straight-out nominee, especially should he be CHARLES O'CONOR, whom, it is well known, never intends to allow WALLACE to get ahead of him—hence the report that he is preparing to "jump" GREELEY. Be this as it may, the so-called "Liberal" movement in Pennsylvania is fast fizzling out. Hundreds of disgusted Democrats are daily coming out against it—some for GRANT outright, others for the straight-out candidate, whoever he may be; while others still avow their intention not to vote at all. The thing is bound to go to pieces in Pennsylvania, and we believe the country over; and BUCKALEW evidently intends to jump in time and secure a safe plank wherewith to reach dry land, and save himself for future chances. He has ceased to expect to be elected Governor. This state of facts will not long remain a secret. When BUCKALEW next appears on the stump, see how impossible it is to smoke him out on GREELEY. He can't be got to say a word for the philosopher, and for the simple reason, as some allege, that he is preserving himself to join the O'CONOR movement.

CHIEF JUSTICE THOMPSON.

The manner of choosing judges of the courts by the people, nominated by party politicians, and elected at our most exciting political contests is a matter of grave concern in the minds of many true patriots.

Whether any change ought to be made, is a question that must engage the serious attention of the Constitutional Convention to be assembled in November. So long as the present system continues, it behooves us to choose men who can rise above the trammels of party, and stand aloof from every corrupting influence. In this good men of all parties agree.

But there is a large portion of the leading minds among the Democratic lawyers of this State, who strenuously hold to the teachings of JOHN C. CALHOUN with regard to the powers of the general government, practically, that the old articles of confederation, declaring the absolute sovereignty of the individual States, are still in force, and, with Judge BLACK, maintain the doctrine that the general government has no power to coerce a State to keep it in the Union. In their opinions rendered they practically ignore, or else attempt to interpret away, the second clause of the sixth article of the United States Constitution, which declares:

"This Constitution, and the laws of the United States, which shall be made in pursuance thereof, and all treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States shall be the *supreme law* of the land; and the judges in every State shall be bound thereby, anything in the Constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding."

This class of judges, whenever a State says it is desirous of leaving the Union, respond from the bench in the language of HORACE GREELEY: "Let it go in peace."

During the rebellion we had on the Supreme bench of this State two of this class of judges—Judge WOODWARD and Chief Justice THOMPSON—the GREELEY candidate for re-election. Judge WILLIAM STRONG was also a Democrat, nominated and elected by them, but he belonged to that class of Democrats who did not believe in or follow the teachings of JOHN C. CALHOUN. A large majority, the ruling element in the Democratic party, denounced Judge STRONG as a traitor to his party, when he decided that the general government had power to replenish the army from the States without asking permission of the State from which the recruits were drawn. There was still a portion of that party who believed, and still do believe, with Judge STRONG that the general government has the power of self-protection independent of the will of rebellious States. This class of Democrats cannot now consistently vote for the re-election of Chief Justice THOMPSON, and do not propose to do so.

On the third day of March, 1863, Congress passed an act for "enrolling and calling out the National forces, and for other purposes." This act, which was of absolute necessity for the preservation of the life of the nation, was declared by a majority of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania to be unconstitutional, *and they ordered an injunction to be issued against the enrolling officers of the United States.* The opinion of that Court, which was rendered by Judge WOODWARD and fully concurred in by Judge THOMPSON, may be found in the Pittsburgh *Legal Journal* of October 12th, 1863—Kneedler vs. Lane et al.

The concurring opinion of Judge THOMPSON will be found in the Pittsburgh *Legal Journal* of October 19th, 1863. It is very lengthy, occupying nearly three pages of the *Journal*; but we believe that if it were read and pondered by all the intelligent voters of the State, Judge THOMPSON would stand no chance of re-election whatever, although his party might be largely in the majority. The Judge says:

"Our jurisdiction of the the case, I think, is plain. We have authority to restrain acts *contrary to law*, and prejudicial to rights of individuals—Act of Assembly of 16th June, 1836."

Thus we have the Judge saying that an act done in pursuance of an act of Congress is *contrary to law*, and that by virtue of an act of Assembly he thought it plain he had power to annul the act of Congress.

In another part of this opinion he tells us that the government can get no soldiers unless they volunteer. The following is his language:

"Voluntary enlistments *as by contract*, was the general method of raising armies with us prior to and at the time the Constitution was framed. As this was the customary mode, every presumption supports the idea that this was the *only mode* in the minds of the framers of the Constitution."

Look at the facts of the case. Here was the nation on the verge of dissolution and destruction at the hands of the disciples of JOHN C. CALHOUN. Voluntary enlistments had failed to replenish the army. Those who had volunteered and were in the field were doomed to annihilation unless help could be at once obtained. The Representatives of the people of the loyal North directed that help should be sent to them, but Judge THOMPSON, a Northern man, undertakes to do more to help the rebellion than all the rebel armies in the field could accomplish, by issuing an injunction against the officers of the Federal government, and nullifying the act of Congress. If Judge THOMPSON were honestly believes such was his duty, do we that believe otherwise desire to pronounce in favor of doctrines so subversive of the government by re-electing him to the Supreme Bench? As the Judge progresses with his opinions, and views the distant possibility that he may be called upon to defend his country, he seems to become inspired by his theme, and he exclaims from the bench. He says:

"No one is exempt under the present law but the Governor! All other officers, *Judges*, Legislators, Representatives in Congress, Sheriffs, Magistrates, county and township functionaries of every description, if under forty-five, are liable now to be forced into the army or to commute by the payment of $300 or find substitutes!" "Can it, for a moment, be believed that the framers of the Federal Constitution intended to create such a monstrous power?"

Toward the close of this long opinion the Judge becomes eloquent. He had just returned from a European tour, and no doubt hastened back to resist the dangers which threatened the favorite docrines of the CALHOUN school. He says:

"Standing recently on the gentle slopes at Runnymede, my memory sent a thrill to my heart in admiration of those old barons who stood up there and demanded from a tyrannical sovereign that the lines between power and right should be drawn with there distinctly marked," &c. "Our forefathers marked those lines in the Federal Constitution. *I must adhere to them. I cannot help it, and while I live I trust to heaven that I may have the strength to say that I will ever do so.*"

This is most extraordinary language to be used from the bench of the Supreme Court. And I for one "trust to heaven" that the people of Pennsylvania will not give the Judge "the strength to say" or utter such doctrines in their name after the expiration of his present term. The people did speak immediately after this opinion was rendered, and placed on the bench a Judge who stood shoulder to shoulder with Judges READ and STRONG in support of the government and in opposition to these doctrines of J. C. CALHOUN, by which the government was sought to be overthrown. They met and reversed the decree of those Copperhead Judges, and the Federal government proceeded to collect their soldiers from Pennsylvania and saved a nation from destruction. The opinion of the court, delivered by Judge STRONG, and which made glad the heart of every patriot, will be found in the Pittsburgh *Legal Journal* of December 28th, 1863. The concurring opinion of Judge AGNEW, in the Pittsburgh *Legal Journal* of the 22d of February, 1864, is a masterly production. The following quotation which he makes from VATTEL, the standard author in all civilized nations, blows to the winds all the copperhead sophistries of Judge THOMPSON. VATTEL says:

"SEDITION, then, a nation is obliged to preserve itself, it has a right to every thing necessary for its preservation. For the law of nature gives us a right to everything, without which we cannot fulfill an obligation; otherwise we should oblige us to impossibilities, or rather would contradict itself, in prescribing us a duty and at the same time debarring us of the only means of fulfilling it."

Judge THOMPSON, during the war, seems to have dissented to every measure proposed for the subjugation of the rebellion. He decided that the act of the Pennsylvania Legislature, authorizing the payment of bounties to volunteers was unconstitutional. [Pittsburgh *Legal Journal* of July 26th, 1865.] In it he says:

"I submissively ask, if this may be done under our constitutional government? Is it any better than a depotism, especially in view of the fact that every particle of the service could have been secured without such a resort."

And for the purpose of depriving the volunteers of this pittance he delicately says in opinion occupying nearly the whole of two consecutive numbers of the *Legal Journal*.

The Judge was so busy during the entire five years of the war, in writing opinions declaring the unconstitutionality of all measures for the suppression of the rebellion, that his opinion on that subject would make a respectable sized octavo volume. No Brigadier General in the rebel army did more to sustain it. And the proposition to re-elect him to the Supreme Bench is on a par with the proposition to pension the rebel soldiers.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MR. BUCKALEW.

His Defense of His Own Record.

To The Hon. Charles R. Buckalew:

SIR—I have just finished the reading of your speech delivered at Lancaster on Tuesday evening, and I cannot refrain from giving you some of the impressions made in my mind by its perusal.

It would have been much better for you if many of the declarations contained in it had not been made. You would have occupied a loftier pedestal among intelligent people, even of your own party, had you not boasted, as you have, of your vote in the Senate in May, 1864, in support of an amendment to pay the soldiers *in gold*. You omitted to state who offered that amendment. Was the omission made purposely? You forgot also to remind your hearers that *the time* was near about the time of your National Democratic Convention—when yourself, and Judge Black, and Judge Thompson, and other leaders, held that the war for for the life of the Union and the Republic, was *a failure*, and a cessation of hostilities should be demanded.

You know, sir, as well as any living man, that the whole spirit and intention of that amendment was a blow hostile to the administration and to the government.

What was the price of gold then? You neglected to tell your hearers that. If your measure, so unblushingly paraded and vaunted, had passed, how much would it have cost from a people already harrassed and from a treasury nearly exhausted?

Yes, hostility to the administration—to say nothing worse—dictated that amendment; and by boasting of your vote for it you convict yourself. Self-convicted as you are, I arraign you before the bar of enlightened and loyal public opinion, and demand that, next October, the verdict shall be pronounced against you.

Was it not thought by the schemers that the rejection of this amendment by a Republican Senate would create dissatisfaction, discontent, perhaps *mutiny* in the ranks of our armies? Considering the time, the place, and all the circumstances, it may well was denoted a *devilish* attempt to produce the results indicated.

Yes, indeed, Mr. Buckalew, you have overshot the mark.

Since your return from Ecuador, you have lost much of your former adroitness and cunning—so much so that you cannot so easily deceive a thinking people.

The country was dripping with the blood of its heroic defenders; its credit was barely kept up by Herculean efforts; England was furnishing privateers, rovers and blockade runners; France, Spain and Austria were forcing upon a republic at our borders a monarch and a tool of their own choosing—and you, with your learning, your oratory, and your alleged love of country, and with so many themes to inspire your *thrilling* heart, never once, to my knowledge, opened your lips in elogium of denunciation of all this wrong, rebellion and insult.

If you made such a speech in the Senate in 1863 or 1864, why not republish it?

Your little *"slipsheet,"* containing your "essay," was never heard of in the army, and it never afforded consolation to a single soldier. The Senate was the place in which to raise your voice, and to hurl just denunciations against the enemies of the country, whether domestic or foreign.

Instead of this, in May, 1864, a most critical and trying period, you contented yourself with aiding and assisting the enemies of Lincoln and the administration in voting for the gold amendment—thus proving most conclusively the real animus which inspired you and the purposes that lay in the recesses of your heart.

It is idle to con over the catalogue of your votes in the Senate in the expectation of finding there anything to justify the claim that you were a patriot during the rebellion. Such a claim, if made, would be preposterous in the extreme.

Your record is against you, and it is sufficient of itself, sufficient. In making this one admission, and in claiming credit for a vote which was hostile (as if you could gull us), you have said more than enough to satisfy all honorable men that the pith and marrow of the charges against you are true—that in our extreme need you could not entirely forget your earlier political teachings or surmount your former sympathies for the Democratic South.

A HARTRANFT SOLDIER.

Ungrateful Sumner.

To the Editor of the Pittsburgh Commercial:

We have heard a great deal lately about the historical event in the United States Senate of the attack of "Bully" Brooks on Charles Sumner. If any recollection of this event is perfect, Sumner is one of the most ungrateful men in the country. Did not Hon. Henry Wilson interpose as soon as he could to prevent Brooks from killing him on the spot? My memory informs me that there were a number of Democrats standing around, among whom were Stephen A. Douglas, and none of them offered to stay the murderous hand till Wilson come upon the scene by accident. Now, where is Sumner? Forgetting the gutta percha cane that fell heavily upon his head, he tries to do an injury to the man who saved his life! He is very *liberal* in his views lately. Yours, truly, J. H. S.

ACCORDING to the *Nation* four years ago *Harper's Magazine* printed an article entitled "Fish Culture," which described Mr. Seth Green's system and gave an account of a pound or brook in New Jersey in which were artificially propagated. The *Nation* contained the following paragraph—or rather let us say that it is currently said to have contained the following paragraph. The Chicago *Tribune* would no doubt have one opinion on that matter, and the *Times* of this city would beyond question violently uphold another. The subscribers of these journals, if either of them now has any left, might refer to *Harper's* for November, 1868:

"Some of the larger fishes are marked by striking peculiarities, and have received distinguishing names. One is known as 'Bartimeus,' from the fact that he is blind. A long, lean, lantern-jawed fellow is appropriately called 'Don Quixote,' while a large three-pounder, who fought it on that line during the entire season, killing and devouring over a dozen large fishes, is called 'General Grant.' There was formerly, in the large pond, a curious parti-colored fish, with irregular spots and stripes of white and black, the colors varing almost weekly, who was known by some of the numerous Democrats in the vicinity as 'Horace Greeley'; but he is now no more, having been unfortunately *killed and eaten by 'General Grant.'*"

THINK that we should ever live to read a paragraph like this in the Boston *Post* about Mr. Sumner:

"Inasmuch as nothing but a prudent regard to his physical condition compels him to abstain from the public effort to which the whole community would give their profound attention at this juncture, it is the universal hope that no further renewals of attack by his old and serious disease will long delay that face-to-face interview with their Senator for which the people of Massachusetts manifest so impatient a desire."

By those who understand what is meant by "renewals of attack of his old and serious disorder," the irony of the quotation will be understood. That the shaft is so admirably concealed, renders the cut none the less keen to Mr. Sumner.

THE French critics continue to doubt the genuineness of Stanley's reports regarding Dr. Livingstone, and seem quite inclined to regard him as an impostor. In some quarters in this country this opinion is still shared; but the weight of testimony goes further to impeach the judgment and fairness of such critics than Stanley's reports. If they are false, he certainly is the most expert counterfeiter that ever lived, not only of narratives and discovery, but of family letters and personal epistles, involving an accurate knowledge of names and residences which hardly any one besides Dr. Livingstone himself could be supposed to possess.

THE chief of police of San Francisco, in his annual report, just rendered, says: "Finding that the county judge and the police judge elect were disposed to give an effective construction to the laws prohibiting gambling, a series of criminal prosecutions were inaugurated, and after paying about $10,000 in fines, the gamblers abandoned the conflict. There were about eighteen places where games of faro were carried on as a business when these prosecutions were commenced, and at the present time it cannot be truly said that prohibited games are carried on as a business at a single place in this city. Here is a suggestion, which, acted upon in Pittsburgh, might result in benefit to the public.

Late discoveries of a number of old furnaces show that mining operations of some kind have at some time been carried on upon what is called Iron Mountain, in the Northern part of Texas. Recently lead and silver, have been found there. Some of the citizens have begun mining, and have high hopes of finding silver in abundance.

THE Springfield *Republican* says: "The New York Republican State Convention was a thoroughly alarmed body." If such was the fact, the alarm was of a kind which beget wisdom, and one cannot help wishing that it might be general everywhere.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

The interior of Russia would be a very nice summer resort. While we groan and sweat under a weary life with the mercury ninety-five degrees at the apothecary shops, they complain of intense cold. In the district of Kalouga, it is reported, from the 9th to the 11th of July, the lakes and rivers were covered with a thick layer of ice.

Newport has been more largely patronized by foreign diplomats this season than any other watering place in the country.

Letters from Tehera state that more than one hundred thousand men, women and children have perished in the Persian capital from famine and plague, and that the number of victims throughout the country is not less than three millions.

A plan has been submitted to the French Academy for storing wheat in portable sheet-iron granaries, in which a vacuum is maintained equal to at least from three to four inches of mercury, this being found sufficient to destroy all insect life and to insure the evaporation of any moisture in the grain.

It is expected that the most elegant entertainments that Washington society will witness next winter will be given at the French Legation.

England's extremity is our opportunity. A powerful body of English manufacturers are forming a company for the purpose of importing into England American coal.

San Francisco rejoiceth. The great Goat Island "job," of which the world has heard so much, has been abandoned, and the terminus of the Central Pacific Railroad is to be fixed within the limits of the city by means of a bridge across the bay at Ravenswood.

Out in Iowa a man took so much stock in the comet business that he forgave his enemies, settled with his creditors, and made arrangements to die. He is sorry he paid his debts, now.

Boston boasted of her Jubilee, but she will hardly boast its *finale*. The raffling away of the Coliseum elephant at a gift concert is rather a down-come for great Gilmore.

An English railroad train was recently struck by lightning while running at the rate of forty miles an hour. All the windows of one of the carriages were smashed, and one passenger was knocked from his seat. There were, it appears to us, a sufficient variety of railway accidents before, without this fresh danger.

Mr. Danks, the inventor of the revolving puddling furnaces, has taken out patents for machines in Russia, Austria, Germany, France and Spain.

And now the New York thermometers are on a strike. During the oppressively hot weather of last Wednesday and Thursday it is said that the mercury, instead of remaining at the height proper to the extreme intensity of the heat, quietly sank down several degrees, as though exhausted by its efforts to keep up with the weather.

The varieties of wood produced in different parts of the world are far more numerous than the people are aware of. At the Paris Exposition of 1867 there were, from forty-five different countries, no less than 3,769 different kinds of wood exhibited.

The amount of American cotton in England this year is the largest ever known, with the exception of 1859. The price has a rapid downward tendency, and there are symptoms of a panic among the speculators. It is believed that when the crop of 1872 begins to find its way to Europe values will become lower than at any thime since the war.

Canteloupes are an excellent vegetable in their way. As an introductory dish to a substantial breakfast they find their proper sphere, but to convert them into whisky is altogether a mistake. It is being done, however.

Three hundred and fifty thousand new head blocks are to be furnised for the national cemeteries. Each block is to be marked with the number of the grave, the name of the soldier, the rank, company, regiment, date, and place of birth. Blocks for unknown soldiers will be inscribed, "Unknown United States soldiers."

A bitter hostility is said to exist between the Canadian French and the English and Scotch classes. Steadily all political offices are passing from the hands of the latter to the former. If in any case an English or Scotch official leaves his place in the line of promotion his successor is sure to be a Canadian Frenchman. The course of affairs in the province of Quebec is steadily setting toward the expulsion of everything not distinctly French or Catholic.

In St. Louis the other day a bolt of lightning entered a store and passed horizontally through eighteen oysters cans and three tea canisters sitting on a shelf. The oysters were thoroughly cooked.

The town of Elizabeth, New Jersey, is so annoyed by the constant whistling of locomotives that a subscription has been started to defray the expenses of a prosecution of the railroad as a nuisance.

Several cultivated and refined people of Boston have determined to build for themselves a family hotel in that city. They propose to have a goodly sized, six story building of brick and freestone, which shall cost upwards of $200,000 and accommodate only six families.

In Cincinnati, a few nights ago, a newly married brakeman dreamed that his train was in imminent danger. With the strength of desperation he jumped from the window and lit on the ground, breaking both his legs. He woke to find himself sitting up in bed and holding his young wife by the ears, having almost twisted off her head.

Louisville merchants complain that the making that city a port of entry did not much improve its direct foreign trade, as only a few small parcels are received.

A Michigan minister being in want of a settlement, advertises the fact, but gives warning that he is as fastidious about a church as most churches are about a minister, which is putting the boot on the other foot decidedly.

The total number of messages forwarded from postal telegraph stations in Great Britain and Ireland, during the week ending August 19, 1872, was 530,500, and during the corresponding week of 1871, 253,135; showing an increase in the week of 1872 on that of 1871 of 77,455 messages. This shows the benefit of having the telegraph under government control.

The city authorities of Worcester, Massachusetts, are going to import from Europe two thousand dollars' worth of plaster casts for the use of drawing-classes in their public schools. This is a hint to Pittsburgh, if the city only knew it.

A Kentucky farmer, while sinking a well the other day, found two rocks in the way, and after digging forty-eight feet, upon pressing them apart, there were found two frogs without any visible means for sustaining life.

PERSONAL.

Hon. M. R. Waite, of Toledo, one of the American counsel before the Board of Arbitration at Geneva, writes to a friend in New York, that the Americans can see their way clearly through the whole business, and that he expects to leave for home about the middle of October. This item adds to the already excellent prospect that the arbitrators will finish up their work without any further serious difficulty.

Ole Bull has been giving a number of performances in his native country in connection with the festivities in honor of the establishment of the Norwegian Anglicum.

Joaquin Miller is to lecture in New England next fall. By way of an advertisement it is reported he has been divorced from his wife, has got engaged to a Scotch peeress, and wears a shirt with pink boa constrictors writhing on a green ground.

Mr. Dan Godfrey, leader of the British Grenadier band, intends to make another professional visit to this country next spring.

The remains of the late Senator William Pitt Fessenden have been removed from the Western Cemetery to Evergreen Cemetery, in Portland, and a magnificent monument of Caen stone erected over them. It is of the Gothic order, and elegantly carved.

Lullier, the Communist leader has gone crazy. He imagines himself in command of troops, and continually yells orders to them.

Mrs. Mansfield writes to the New York *Commercial* denying the statement by a New York paper that President Grant had been in her house with Fisk and others engaged in drinking and debauchery. She says: "While I have no interest in defending President Grant, yet I feel that justice compels me to deny such an infamous falsehood. General Grant was never in my house in his life."

Mr. Hepworth Dixon is getting dangerous, and ought to be suppressed. He has done up America, London Tower, Switzerland and various other places, and now meditates an invasion of Japan, for the purpose of "doing" it also.

A Cincinnati lady will make her *debut* at the Fifth Avenue Theater, New York, some time next month. She is a young lady of great beauty. Her portrait was painted by Eaton some years since for an exhibition of the New York Academy of Design, and attracted much attention. She is the daughter of Mrs. Susan Jewett, the authoress of "The Old Corner Cupboard," and other works. For several years past Miss Jewett has resided in Washington City, where her father has a place in the Treasury Department under the government. Miss Jewett is said to possess an exquisite voice for singing, and it is reported that at one time she intended to appear in opera, but after considerable training it proved uncertain, and she wisely changed her role and directed her attention to the stage, for which she undeniably has great talent. She is a lady of great taste, cultivation, and refinement, the ornament of the society in which she moves, and one whose private virtues are the pride and happiness of her home circle.

A DUEL, with fatal results, was fought at Leghorn, Italy, August 1, between an American named Frederick Brewster, and an Italian Count Benedetto Sella. Brewster occupied a position in the English bank of Lloyd & Co., at Leghorn, and has corresponded with various American journals. Brewster and Count Sella had been friends, but quarrelled in a restaurant at Leghorn. Count Sella impugned the purity of American institutions, a quarrel ensued, and finally Brewster struck the Count in the face. A duel, with pistols, followed within a week, and the Count fell at the first fire, the bullet piercing the jugular under the left ear. Brewster was unhurt, and has fled from Leghorn.

ALADDIN IN CALIFORNIA.

Transmuting Base Metals Into Pure Gold.

A Chemist's Wonderful Discovery—Half a Million of Dollars Manufactured in Two Months—The Coin Pronounced the Purest Gold Ever Put in a Crucible.

[From the San Francisco Chronicle, August 11.]

The following story as reported to us has much of romance in it, but the romance may demonstrate its truth, revolutionize commerce, and make the possessors of the marvelous talisman the veritable Midas of the nineteenth century. It is no less than the discovery of a chemical process, which, when applied to base metals, transmutes them into gold—pure, shining, veritable gold. The rumor of the diamond discoveries in Arizona have somewhat precipitated the disclosure of the facts we are about to relate, and though at the risk of breaking faith with our informant, we consider his statement too important to be withheld from the pusblic.

THE MODERN MIDAS.

Some three months ago a plain-looking man, of American birth, presented himself at one of our leading banks and solicited an interview with the manager. The banker was very much occupied with his cares, overburdened with offers of paper for discount, and harrassed with the prospects of losses on loans for which he held collateral in the shape of mining stocks, seemingly descending on his hands. He surveyed his supposed customer, and almost before the first words of salutation had fallen from the newcomer's lips, he said:

"No, sir; can't do it. Very sorry, but have gone beyond our limit to accommodate our own customers. Doing nothing on the outside to-day, at any rates."

The stranger made no reply, but deposited a leathern valise on the banker's desk, opened and took from it a mass of dingy metal, looking half like copper and half like brass, and handed it to him. The man of money examined it curiously, and returned it, saying he was no judge of mineral substances, and had no time to study this particular specimen.

A CONFIDENTIAL PERSON'S JUDGMENT.

The stranger asked him if he would know gold if he saw it; and, if not, would he be kind enough to send for some confidential person, on whose judgment he could rely, to assay and determine the quality and value of his lump of metal. The proposition was reluctantly accoded to. One of our most prominent assayers was summoned, and after examining the substance and inquiring, with visible excitement, where it came from, and receiving no satisfaction, departed, taking it with him, promising to report on it the next day but ane at noon. Punctually at the appointed time the three men met at the bank. The assayer produced the metal, which had been run into the form of a bar, and had all the appearance of the ordinary gold ingot of commerce.

"That looks like gold," said the banker.

"It is gold," said the assayer, "nearly a thousand fine—the purest I have ever put in a crucible."

ANOTHER SEARCHING TEST.

The stranger said nothing. The others pitied him with questions concerning the source from which it came. He civily but firmly declined to furnish any information, requesting them, as a further test of its genuineness, to send it to the mint in this city for coinage. To this they assented, and the bar was sent, with other bars, to the mint. It was there again submitted to the tests usual in such cases, and the next day its value was returned in double eagles—something more than eight thousand dollars —which was placed to the credit of the now decidedly interesting stranger. For nearly a week nothing was seen of him or heard from him. The banker was in a fever of excitement. He could think of nothing but the owner of the gold. He ran over all the mining news of the public press for some record of a strike in the gold-producing districts; and, if the truth must be told, he waited for some intelligence of an audacious robbery of the treasure box of an up-country stage or of the safe of some bank or assay office in which his new friend should play a prominent part.

A SECOND INSTALMENT.

So well satisfied was he of the correctness of this latter conjecture that he was on the point of advertising the possession by him, under peculiar circumstances, of a large quantity of refined gold, when the depositor appeared bringing with him a much larger piece of the same metal as formerly, which, with some ceremony and dignity, he submitted for inspection. This was done, and then the stranger inquired if the banker was entirely satisfied of its genuineness.

"Perfectly, perfectly," was the answer. "It is gold. Where did you get it?"

The answer nearly caused him to faint. He sat for a few moments like one in a trance. His ears were filled with strange sounds. His eyes grew dim. His hands trembled nervously, and his heart beat a queer tattoo which alarmed him for his personal safety. It was a very brief answer, yet in it were involved the most momentous consequences to commerce, to the vast system of labor and capital employed in the mining enterprise of the States, to the precious metal basis of trade in every land, and to the maintenance of the government itself. It contained a revolution within itself.

"I MADE IT MYSELF."

It is no wonder that the amazing disclosure almost unmanned the listener. The stranger quietly said:

"I made it myself;" and after a pause he added: "I can make it by the ton. I can freight a ship with it before I leave this port. The time I have enlarged my present laboratory, as I am now about to do."

The banker piled him with questions as to its locality, and with prayers to be permitted to visit the scene of his marvelous labors, but to no purpose. He then held up before the discoverer the power which they could wield in the community, the vast possessions which they might acquire, and the certainty of making together a fame unequalled since the world began. He represented to him the impossibility of successfully competing with the aid of the one situated like himself, who could turn this new accession into the now slowly money likes of commerce, exchanges and swell without destroying them. He then attempted to show him the danger to himself from the chagrin of those whose values he might impair or destroy, and the need of caution in silencing for himself his terrible secret.

THE SPEAKER NOT DISCLOSED.

His hearer sat with imperturbable countenance until near close of the banker's harangue, and then replied:

"I will make you the depository of my gold. You may control its issue, and we will together share the power it brings. But my process must remain forever in my own heart. I shall never reveal it. I will bring you in a very few days more than you have now in your vaults. My laboratory is near the New Park, in a building which would attract no attention, save from its dilapidated appearance. I was at work there during the most of the past winter, and have by degrees succeeded in making my self quite comfortable without attracting attention. I have several ways of access to it, and never use the same way twice in succession. I admit I have experienced some fear of discovery and attack; but my guards are my dogs, and they are faithful and silent. There is now more danger than ever in the increased volume of my product, which will need other means of transporting raw material and bringing it back in the shape of gold than this old Valise and my hands."

THE CHEMIST'S LABORATORY.

He then turned to a convenient table and wrote a few lines, which he sealed in an envelope and handed to the banker.

"There is the direction to my retreat. I shall return in a week with more gold, and if I fail to come you may know that some evil has befallen me. Then come to me."

The banker promised faithful observance of the injunction, and with many protestations of mutual fidelity and good will they parted. The paper has never been opened, and the manufacturer of gold has steadily and punctually reappeared, bringing his weekly enormous additions to the bullion of the bank. It is said that more than half a million have been manufactured within the past two months and deposited in the bank.

THE MANUFACTURED COIN IN CIRCULATION.

Some of it has been converted into coin and put in circulation. Many of our readers who believe they are handling the products of our gold mines, now daily receive and pay out this substance, created from base metals by one of our most unobtrusive citizens. Some of it has been run into the casimiary form of bars, and, stamped with the brand and records of our most famous refinery, has been shipped abroad, as the basis of the issue of a new bank or institution on a colossal scale, to be established on the comparatively small beginning of one of our noted banks, and the effort will be made to flood San Francisco the center of all commercial exchanges and the great depository of the products of the west. The scheme is vast, proportioned to the power which the men hold in their grasp. It is frightful to reflect what may be the result if their ambition, if it should pass beyond its present reasonable limits. No human institution can control the end to which the wealth of our modern Midas and his banker may bring. Financial ruin to the old world and, indeed, as we have said, the government itself.

Curious Surgery Experiments in Skin Grafting.

[From the New York Tribune.]

Occasionally the public hear through the newspapers and medical journals of "skin grafting." This is a curious surgical operation, but is now not uncommon in the hospitals and in private practice. Professor A. B. Mott, of Bellevue Hospital, has introduced a novel practice. Some time ago an Irishwoman of this city was severely injured by the explosion of a kerosene lamp, by which her clothing was set on fire, and her right arm and her right breast down to the stomach, were frightfully burned. She was removed to Bellevue Hospital, and placed in Dr. Mott's ward. Her case was under treatment for months, and the patient appeared incurable. At the same time a man named McCrahan was in the hospital, whose leg had been amputated at the thigh. Dr. Mott considered that he might use the limb from the stump in one more effort to cure the disabled woman. He resolved to test the operation of "grafting." Eighty-nine pieces of teguiment, each about one-sixteenth of an inch square, were cut from the amputated limb before the natural warmth had passed out of it, and by gentle pressure applied to as many points of the great open sore on the woman's breast and arm

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

SATURDAY EVENING, August 24, 1872.

The sensation of the week has been the culmination and collapse of the great wheat corner in Chicago, and now the last operation is engaged, in the language of the late lamented Fisk, in pulling out his individual corpse from the *debris*. The movement seems to have started in July, with wheat at $1 16 per bushel, and a daily arrival of 14,000 bushels. Under the steady purchases of the bull clique prices have advanced till $1 62 per bushel was reached, and a daily arrival of 200,000 bushels, when the ring, being unable to take the heavy load, which daily increas d, gave up the fight and stopped paying. With their downfall many innocent persons have suffered, but as they are mostly of that irrepressible class, the grain brokers, they take the matter calmly. The movement has done much to unsettle values and enhance prices, increasing the cost of every person's barrel of flour by thirty-three per cent., for mill owners, who are loaded up with this high-priced wheat, will try to sustain the flour market till they can work off the stock on to the consumers without a loss to themselves.

With all the opprobrium cast upon the active participants in the ring, there is yet something to be said on the other side, as will be seen by the above report, the daily sales by the farmers rose from 14,000 bushels at $1 16 to 200,000 bushels at prices ranging from $1 50 to $1 60. The benefit of this increased rate accrues directly to the producers, and the loss falls largely on the speculators. It has stimulated the movement of grain to market, yielded a handsome return to the producers, and left the market well supplied with grain. Those making the greatest outcry and "pointing the finger of scorn" are the professional "shorts," whose whole business it is to depreciate values to a point that would leave the former no profit, but put money in their own purses. The money market seems not to have been seriously affected, of which the Chicago *Tribune* says:

"The local money market continues active and steady, notwithstanding the excitement in grain circles, which has scarcely produced a single ripple in the onward movement of the bank current. As stated yesterday, no banks were involved; and, so far as learned from, not a single check was thrown out to-day, though the transfers of accounts were larger, as indicated by the business at the clearing house."

—Messrs. Ira B. McVay & Co. report the following quotations of Government bonds in New York to-day, as furnished them by Jay Cooke & Co., their correspondents:

	Buying.	Evening.
U. S. Bonds of 1881	116½	116⅝
U. S. Bonds of 1882	114¼	114⅜
U. S. Bonds of 1864	114¼	114⅜
U. S. Bonds of 1865	115⅛	115
U. S. Bonds of 1865 (new)	113½	113⅝
U. S. Bonds of 1867	114¼	114
U. S. Bonds of 1868	114⅜	114⅝
10-40s	112⅝	111⅜
New 5s	111⅝	111⅜
Gold	112¾	112⅝
Currency 6s	112⅜	112⅝

—A correspondent asks what are the instructions to the National banks of the Controller of the Currency, to which we referred a few days ago. We give below the circular:

"In future reports of the condition of your bank, made to this office, all checks payable in specie will be reported under the head of checks and other cash items. The amount of these checks will be stated separately, but extended in the general aggregate of cash items. The items of specie will include coin and all gold Treasury notes, only stated separately and extended as heretofore.

"JOHN J. KNOX,
"Comptroller of the Currency."

—The New York bank statement, received this afternoon by wire, shows as follows:

Legal tenders, decrease	$1,664,400
Specie, decrease	3,192,100
Total loss of reserve	$4,8 6,500
Deposits, decrease	9,308,300
Circulation, increase	81,100
Total	$9,227,300

Making the actual loss in reserve $1,543,675, with a corresponding decrease in the loans of $4,374,200.

—The following table shows the prices of railway stocks, gold, etc., at the various sessions of the New York Stock Exchange during the day:

August 24, 1872.	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	1:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.
Gold	112¾	113	112⅝	113	113	112⅞
Canton	71	71¼	....	71	....	....
Western Union Tel	71¼	71⅝	....	71¼	....	....
Quicksilver	....	....	....	....	....	....
Pacific Mail	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾
Adams Express	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wells Fargo Ex ress	....	96	....	95¾	....	....
American Express	....	56	....	56	....	....
United States Express	....	....	....	....	....	....
New York Central	97½	97½	97½	96¾	97	96¾
New York Central Scrip	....	....	....	....	....	....
Erie	47¾	46¾	46¾	46	46¾	46¾
Reading	....	....	....	....	....	....
Michigan Central	....	116¾	....	116¾	89¾	89¾
Michigan Southern	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾
Illinois Central	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cleveland and Pitts	90	90	90	90	90	90¼
Chicago and Northwest	74¾	74¾	74¾	74¾	74¾	74¾
Do. preferred	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾
Rock Island	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾
St. Paul	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
Do. preferred	64¾	64¾	64¾	64¾	64¾	64¾
Wabash	....	....	....	....	....	....
Do. preferred	....	....	....	....	....	....
Fort Wayne	74¾	74¾	74¾	74¾	74¾	74¾
Ohio and Mississippi	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾
Chicago and Alton	....	....	....	112	....	....
Do. preferred	....	....	....	....	....	....
Terre Haute	....	....	....	....	....	....
Harlem	....	115	....	115	....	....
New Jersey Central	....	106½	....	106½	....	....
Union Pacific	35	35	35	34¾	35	35¾

—Messrs. Bowen & Fox, brokers and members of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, furnish the following quotations of the closing prices to-day of the most active stocks:

Penn's Central	58½
Phila. and Erie	27½
Lehigh Navigation	41½
Catawissa	45
Oil Creek & Alley R	36
Lehigh Valley R. R.	60
North Penn'a R. R.	50
United Cos of N. J.	127
Schuylkill Navigat'n	15
Reading	98⅛

Chicago Live Stock Market.

CHICAGO, August 24.—Cattle—Receipts 761. Weather rainy and market extremely dull. Two lots of common shipping steers sold at $4 70@4 90 per 100 lbs respectively, and a few stockers at $4 30@4 50. A good many Texans and Cherokees are left unsold. Shipments yesterday 1,747. Hogs—Receipts 4,432. Yorkers are very quiet at $4 50@4 70; heavy grades in fair demand and firm at $4 75@4 90. Shipments yesterday 8,826. Sheep—Receipts 294. Market dull but unchanged.

PRODUCE AND GENERAL MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, SATURDAY, August 24, 1872.

REMARKS—The market last week closed very firm, and dealers report trade excellent, in every respect, with the exception of two or three articles which still continue to be in greater supply than the present demand calls for. As a rule Saturday is not a very long market day, most of the heavy houses having their orders filled by twelve o'clock. But, notwithstanding this, some of our merchants are reluctant to close their houses at three P. M., preferring to remain and fill what stray orders may come along in the afternoon. Saturday's quotations remain without change, and the prospect for a good fall trade looks bright. The weather, at present writing, is very pleasant, the mornings and evenings cool, while the sun at midday continues hot.

Below we give the wholesale rates of the market unless otherwise noted. From store in a small way the usual advance is obtained:

ASHES—Soda ash, common, 4@ cent., 4¼c; refined, 5@ cent., 6¼c; nitrate soda, 5c; arsenic, 3½c; pearl, 7c; pots, 10c; pearls, 10@11½c @ lb.

APPLES—The supply continues in excess of the demand. The receipts have been 250 bbls. The ruling figures are $1@2 @ bbl, with few sales.

APPLE BUTTER—There is not a very large supply in the market, but prime is selling at 65@75c.

BUTTER—The market is not what might be considered active, but still good butter is in steady demand, 16@18½c, while common is not wanted at all. The receipts were 23 pkgs.

BANNER BAKING POWDER—This household article still continues to meet with favor, and during the past week the sales have been at the following prices: $1 75 for ¼ lbs; $3 25 for ½ lbs; $6 for 1 lb and $20 for 5 lbs.

BRAN—With a moderate demand we qute sales at $15@16 per ton.

BROOMS—Fancy $4 00; No. 1 $3 50; No. 2 $3 00.

CHEESE—The receipts were 125 boxes; sales of factories at 12½c; Sweitzer 13@15c; Factory 11½@13c; Dairy 10¼@11c @ lb.

COUNTRY HAMS—Hams 9@10c @ lb; clear sides 7c @ lb; shoulders 5@5½c @ lb.

CASTOR OIL—With a fair trade prices are held firm at 19c for lots in a small way at the usual advance.

CEMENT—Becson's Hydraulic is held at $2 00 per bbl; Louisville $2 50@2 75; Rosedale $4 60; Eagle $3 00; Johnston's $2 25; calcined plaster $4 50; land plaster $3 50@3 75 @ bbl.

CORN MEAL—There is scarcely any change to note in prices, with sales at $2 25 @ bbl.

CANDLES—Previous quotations are the present ruling figures: Sperms, 1 pkg, 46c, full weight, 16c; 14 ounces, 13½c; star, 14 ounces, 18c; full weight, 19½c.

CONCENTRATED LYE—Sales of Pennsylvania at $5 50 @ case.

BACON AND PROVISIONS—Country dealers as well as those in the city report an excellent trade and still improving. We quote as follows: Hams, sugar-cured, 15c; sugar cured shoulders 11c; plain do 8½c; breakfast bacon 14c; rib sides 10c; clear rib sides 10½c; clear sides 11c. Dried beef 20c. Lard, tierces, 9c; half bbls 10¼c; pails 11¾c. Mess pork $16 00 per bbl.

EGGS—The stock now on hand is ample for present wants, and fresh sell readily at 17@18c.

FLOUR—There is nothing new to note worthy of mention. Holders do not, in a number of instances, seem inclined to sell very freely. Buyers are holding off somewhat preferring to see what will be done by the Western operators during the week. We quote nominally as follows: Spring wheat $8 00@8 50 for new, $8 25@9 00 for old. Some fancy lots sold at $9 50@10 00. The mill rates are unchanged. We quote small sales of rye flour at $5 50 per bbl.

GRAIN—The following are the grain receipts since our last:

	Wheat, sacks.	Corn, sacks.
Oats	1,357	1,039
Rye	596	

Wheat in the market is reported a trifle lower, although the figures here remain unchanged. We quote: New red @ 1 bushel 75; old red scarce at $1 85; new white @ 1 bushel 75. Oats are nominally unchanged; old white 48c; mixed 45c and new 35c. The rates remain without material change at 85c@90c. Corn—With no material change we quote nominally as follows: new 65c; shelled firm at 61@62c; ear in bulk sells at 58@60c.

GROCERIES—Our dealers still keep a large stock on hand to meet the demand from country merchants. The trade still continues brisk, with nothing to excite the market to compel us to change our quotations. The following are the ruling prices:

Coffee—Fancy Rio, 24½c; strictly prime 24c; good 23½c; fair 21¾c; roasted in one pound papers 29c; O G Java 32c.

Refined sugars—Granulated sugar 13c; Powdered sugar 13½c; A do 12c; B do 11½c; extra C 11¼c; Chesapeake extra C 11¼@11½c; fruit sugars 8@9c.

New Orleans Molasses—Prime 80c; good 75c; fair 70c.

Syrups—Union syrup 75c; H & E fancy 65c; H & E extra 60c; H & E No 1 55c.

Rice—Carolina, choice, 9½c; Rangoon, 8c.

Spices—Grain, pepper, 22c; Sumatra, 16; Cassia 50c; buttons $1 25.

HAY—There is nothing new to note. Old hay finds ready salest $23 @ ton, $25@30 @ ton for new.

LARD OIL—Cincinnati and Chicago extra No 1 is quoted at 78@80c.

POTATOES are very dull; sales were made at $1 per bushel on dock upon but the ruling prices are $1@1 25 per bbl. We quote Jersey sweets at $7@7 50 per bbl, and Maryland and Jersey at $4@4 50 per bbl.

PEACHES sell readily at $1 50@2 50 per box, according to city, spot.

PEARS—Choice Bartletts sell at $5.

PLUMS—A good demand is had for this article, and they find ready sale at $4@4 50 per box; good green plums sell at $2 25 per box.

POULTRY—The supply of market is reported for spring chickens at $4 50@5 00.

SAPOLIO—A very good trade is reported for this useful household article at $6 50 per case.

SEEDS—Timothy is quoted at $2 37½; store lots are selling at $3 62; clover seed remains inactive, while flax seed ranges from $1 75@1 80.

VINEGAR—Good cider is quoted at 15c per gal.

WATER MELONS—Jersey sell at $15@20 per 100, and Maryland at $10@12 per 100.

TALLOW is without change, and prices rule firm at 9½@9½c @ lb.

WHISKY—A fair demand is reported, and high-wines are selling in job lots at 95@96c.

PITTSBURGH LIVE STOCK MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, SATURDAY, August 24, 1872.

RECEIPTS.

	Cattle.	Sheep.	Hog's.	Mules.	Horses.
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Saturday, August 24	5,301	....	2,648	....	....
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BUSINESS.

The market during the week has presented a variety of changes. The general impression at present is that prices have about touched their lowest point. In fact, there are already signs of improvement at Parker's and other points in the oil regions. Prices have advanced from 15@20c per bbl. This is a good beginning. The sales, too, were larger. A revival of the oil business would be very acceptable to a large number of persons. Refined oil remains in about the same condition we left it at the close of our last general review.

CRUDE RECEIPTS.

The following are the crude receipts from all points by river and rail for the past two weeks:

	Last week.	This week.
Crude received, bbls	36,495	25,949

The following are the crude receipts from all points, by river and rail, for the past eight years:

From January 1st to August 24, 1872	713,729
Same time 1871	741,643
Same time 1870	714,114
Same time 1869	548,940
Same time 1867	767,040
Same time 1866	658,450
Same time 1865	730,240
Same time 1865	341,000

EXPORTS OF REFINED.

The following are the exports of refined oil east by the Pennsylvania, Allegheny Valley and Pittsburgh, Washington and Baltimore Railroads:

	Last week.	This week
Pennsylvania Railroad	2,182	1,98
Alleghany Valley Railroad	20,607	19,326
Total	22,789	21,370

The following are the exports of refined oil east by the Pittsburgh, Washington and Baltimore, Pennsylvania and Allegheny Valley Railroads for the past four years, from January 1st to August 24th of each year:

Pennsylvania Railroad	80,991	98,700	70,475
Alleghany Valley R'R	274,136	378,268	375,761
Total	355,127	477,268	448,197

Saturday.

CRUDE.

The market was firm but prices have undergone no change. At Parker's the rates of $2 37½ were asked. This would be equal to $2 45@2 50 per bbl. There were made at both prices.

REFINED.

The market since our last issue has undergone no change worthy of notice. The asking figures for eastern delivery were: Spot 21¾c; August 21¾c; September, first half, 22c; last half 22¼@22½c per gallon.

OIL BARRELS.

Market steady, with sales of city make at $1 80 @ county $1 65.

(By Western Union Telegraph.)

PHILADELPHIA, August 24.—Market quiet; S. W. 21½@21¾c; crude, in bulk, 10c; sales, 570; shipments, none; futures: September, 22½c.

BOSTON, August 24.—Market quiet, dull, and unchanged, at $8 25.

PETROLEUM CENTER, August 24.—Market firm and unchanged at $2 25 asked.

OIL CITY, August 24.—Market quiet; ordinary on spot and regular, $2 25; 47 gravity at Oil City $3 40 @ 42 bbls; $2 25.

TITUSVILLE, August 24.—Market quiet at $3 35; 37½.

TITUSVILLE, August 24.—The *Courier* says: The market is quiet, with little changes in prices, and closed quiet.

SALES:

1,000 bbls upper road, spot	$3 35
300 bbls upper road, spot	3 37½
2,000 bbls upper road, spot	3 40
500 bbls upper road, spot	3 42½
1,000 bbls lower road, spot	3 25
1,000 bbls City, spot	3 40

NEW YORK, August 24.—Closing 23d.—Crude in bulk quiet at 11¾c; a sale is reported of 1,000 bbls at 11¾c. Refined firm at 22¼@22½c; cargoes—a little more inquiry; sales of 3,200 bbls, this month's delivery, at 22½c; 1,050 bbls, prompt delivery, at 22½c; 1,550 bbls, first half September, 22½c; cases steady; 22½@23c. Philadelphia market dull; naphtha nominally unchanged; sales of 500 bbls short delivery 21½c, with return; sales of 1,000 bbls refined, last half September, at 22½c.

(By Pacific and Atlantic Line.)

PARKER'S LANDING, August 24.—Market very quiet at $3 25 bbl.

PHILADELPHIA, August 24.—August 21¾@21¾c; September 22¼c; crude, 10½c; cases, 27c. Sales, 500 bbls. Oil City, August 24.—Market very quiet at $3 40. TIDIOUTE, August 24.—Market quiet at $3 40.

TITUSVILLE, August 24.—Market dull and nothing doing; sales of some lots at $3 35@3 47½.

ROUSEVILLE, August 24.—Market quiet and firm at $3 20@3 25.

Crude Oil Received by A. V. R. R.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Barrels.
Thomas King	Petrolite Ref. Co	160
J P Miller	Petrolite Works	80
T P Miller	J C Fisher	87
Hawood	Allegheny Oil Works	140
Parker & Thompson	Citizens' Oil Works	465
J Bushnell	Standard Oil Works	53
J Bushnell	Crystal Oil Works	240
J Bushnell	Standard Oil Works	280
H M McElvey	Vesta Oil Works	70
Wm Stephenson	Sterling Oil Works	100
J Bushnell	Model Oil Works	220
Duncan & Young	Liberty Oil Works	78
Wm. Stevenson	Tarentum Oil Works	240
Duncan & Young	Standard Oil Works	80

Crude Oil Received by Rail and River.

	Bbls.		Bbls.
Petrolite Oil Works	80	Oleopolis Oil Works	8
J C Fisher	57	Superior Oil Works	14
Citizens' Oil Works	465	Standard Oil Works	53
Crystal Oil Works	240	Vesta Oil Works	70
Sterling Oil Works	100	Model Oil Works	220
Liberty Oil Works	782	Tarentum Oil Works	240
Total			5,555

Shipments of Refined Oil East via A. V. R. R. W. P. R. R. and P. R. R.

W Barr Park & Co, for Philadelphia, 23 bbls.

Vesta Oil Works, 350 bbls to Waring, King & Co, Philadelphia.

Braun & Wagner, 200 bbls to Waring, King & Co Philadelphia.

Braun & Co., 208 bbls to Waring, King & Co Phil-adelphia.

Central Refining Co., 256 bbls to Logan Bros & Co, Philadelphia.

Central Refining Co, 53 bbls to Logan Bros & Co, Philadelphia.

Central Refining Co., 50 bbls to Carson & Cullin, Philadelphia.

Standard Oil Co, 407 barrels to Logan Bros & Co, Philadelphia.

Total 1,324

Shipments of Refined Oil East by W. P. R. R.

Ekins, Bly & Co, 50 bbls to Miller & Co., Lancaster, Pa.

Ekins Bly & Co, 200 bbls to Waring, King & Co, Philadelphia.

Central Refining Co, 100 bbls to Logan Bros & Co, Philadelphia.

A D Miller, 104 bbls to Waring, King & Co, Philadelphia.

Total 454

WOOL MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

August 24.—The market lacks animation, and though the advices from abroad continue to be of a favorable character, yet the market has failed to respond. During the few months past, wools have ruled below the average prices of last year, yet relatively higher than their products, and manufacturers have, therefore, declined to purchase beyond actual necessities, with the hope that still lower prices will prevail. In the absence of any large demand at present the market is entirely in favor of buyers, yet they are unable to gain any decided concessions. Cape has been in fair request, and it is rumored that further shipments are about to be made to the other side, but we have been unable to learn definite particulars. Since our last sales have changed hands, at prices ranging from 37½@40c. Buenos Ayres has been in request, but the business consummated has not been large. The sales include the foregoing include 5,000 Buenos Ayres at 48 cents; 2,400 Montevideo, 46@47c; 160 bales Australian, 57@58c; 15,000 Native Grande on private terms, and 20 bales Buenos Ayres sheep skins at 28c. Domestic wools are dull and quiet. The same state of things exist as for some time past. Very few shipments are being made from the West now, as the views of the farmers undoubtedly very much above those of dealers, and excepting an occasional transaction in fine delaine and XX fleece, California is coming in more freely, principally the better grades of fleece, for which a better business is looked for in this article. The sales comprise 4,000 lb scoured Western, at 50 cents; 1,000 lb spring California, 25; 1,500 lb fall do, 34c; 1,000 lbs scoured do, 95; 30 bales extra pulled, 50a60; 12,000 lb Texas, 27½a46; 5,000 lb Georgia and No. Carolina fine Western, 65; 5 bags super, 62.—*Commercial List.*

BOSTON.

August 24.—The same inactivity noticed in our last has characterized the wool market this week. Sales have only been made to manufacturers who were in want of stocks, and transactions among brokers have been limited. The goods market has ruled dull through the summer, and the low rates for most descriptions have had a depressing influence upon manufacturers, and checked production. The time, however, is not far distant, when a large number of manufacturers will be obliged to come in for supplies in order to keep their mills in operation, as, in view of the high prices of raw material and the dullness in the goods market, they have allowed their stocks to become much depleted.

There is no doubt but that the substitution of foreign for domestic wool will become much more general if the present high prices continue. Manufacturers are determined to have cheap wools, and several offers have been made and refused the past week for domestic at current rates, and Australian, Montevideo, Cape, and Mestiza were substituted. It is reliably stated that at least 200 sets of cards are now running on foreign wools in this country.

The stock of domestic wool is light for the season, although the clip in farmers' hands is comparatively large. It is estimated that in Ohio the increase over last year will be 4,000,000 pounds, but the farmers are loth to sell at present prices, and will, in most instances, hold for 40c through in western instances with difficulty and little profit. From the present outlook low water and high rates in all directions is a realization of many of hands.

The United States mail packets on the slack water leave daily at 8 A. M. and 5 P. M. These boats are unbelievers, and were built expressly for the trade, and are in charge of careful and attentive officers. For further information call on Captain A. S. Carlile on the wharfboat.

FROM Mr. Thomas Sherlock we learn that the oil clal notices of a call for a convention of Allegheny county will be issued the latter part of the present week. The convention will assemble in Cleveland on the 5th of September next. It will be of great importance to the marine and mercantile community, and every delegate should make arrangements to attend.

THE Cincinnati *Gazette* of Saturday says: The certificate for incorporating the Cincinnati and Red River Transportation Company, with $500,000 capital, was filed at Columbus yesterday. The corporators are Jesse Simpkinson, P. P. Lane, Joseph Kinsey, Daniel F. Meader, Gazzam Gano, Henry Olmsted, Dr. A. Procter, Charles Mendenhall and W. G. McCoy.

CINCINNATI.—The following particulars of the iron boat, now being built by Swift, in the mouth of Licking river, will be interesting: Length, 152 feet; beam, 28 feet; hold, 6½ feet; 3 cylinders 34 inches in diameter, 26 feet long; cylinders 21 inches diameter by 7 feet; the hull will be ¼ inch plates, except the bow sheets, which will be ⅝ of an inch; will have 2 decks, of light build; will have 4 state rooms for cabin, compartments with iron bulkheads fore and aft and thwart; iron cylinder timbers, &c. The boat will probably be named Alex. Swift.

A BIG CHALLENGE.—James Taylor, Robert Ragnall, Joseph H. Sadler and Thomas Winship propose to row any four men in the world a four and pair to the (Paris) St. John Crew, giving the preference to row on the course on the Tyne for £500 a side. If the St. John men decline the challenge, the same terms to hold good for the Ward or Biglin crew.

OUR friend of the Pittsburgh COMMERCIAL, of the 20th instant, calls for the facts and figures in regard to our assertion that General Ramsey was the oldest boatman on the Western waters now actively engaged in business. Well, here they are: He left Pittsburgh in March, 1819, arrived in St. Louis in June of the same year, he was then an attache of the army. General Atkinson had charge of this expedition, which was called the Yellowstone expedition. General Ramsey had charge of one of the government boats, and from that year to the present has been identified with the marine interests of St. Louis. He is now on the levee early every morning attending to his duties as freight agent of the great St. Louis steamboat institution, the Memphis Packet Company.—*St. Louis Globe.*

NOTWITHSTANDING all the blaster and brag by the St. Louis papers about the White Collar Line doing all the business—the truth will leak out occasionally. Saturday's *Globe* has the following: The splendid Northern Liner Clinton came in from Keokuk with two hundred tons of freight and the largest passenger trip of the season.

The splendid steamer Clinton, of the Northern Line Packet Company, left at four o'clock P. M., with a great crowd of passengers and all the freight she could handle.

THE Evansville *Courier* says: "A chance to make money is offered to any person who desires to invest a few thousand dollars under the following circumstances, viz: We are authorized by Captain Tom Ryman, of the Steamer Idlewild, to make the following bet: He values his boat at $16,000, and proposes to bet the same with any man who will put $8,000 against his boat that Greeley will be the next President of the United States. If the bet is taken, he wants the privilege of running his boat until the bet is decided. Full guarantee will be given on his down trip next Saturday, or any time between now and the first day of October. He requests us to state that the bet is a *bona fide* one, and will remain open until the time above mentioned. It must be further understood that there will be only two candidates in the field for the office of President, Captain Ryman will be seen every Wednesday and Saturday at our city wharf, or any communication addressed to Captain Ryman, steamer Idlewild, at Cairo or Louisville, will be properly acknowledged. Gentlemen, here is a fine chance of becoming the owner of a first-class steamboat."

THE St. Louis *Republican* says: The government dredge boat Innovator arrived yesterday with a raft, and is now lying above the bridge. She will be sent here about a week in surveying the East St. Louis wharf, from Bissell's Point to Carondelet. Now that she has here a description of her may be found interesting. She was built at Rock Island last July by Sabe & Jones, and is scow-built, with two solid bulkheads through her, which makes her very strong. She is eighty feet long and twenty feet of beam; draws only fifteen inches of water; is fitted with Jones' horse power, patent stern wheel water twin screw propelling apparatus, and can turn round in half a minute. Her engines, two in number, are thirty horse power each, and make seventy revolutions with sixty-five pounds of steam, which is the least she carried on her trial trip, though she can carry one hundred pounds. The engine room measures five feet by four feet. She has a small and compact doctor-pump for the supply of the boiler, which is very large for the size of the engines, and thus checks an economy in coal.

CLEVELAND MARKETS.

CLEVELAND, August 24.—Flour dull but unchanged. Wheat—Demand light and holders firm; No 2 red winter, $1 01@1 02; No 1 white, 1 02@1 03. Corn in moderate demand; new 36c; old 38c. Petroleum—Refined firm and unchanged.

Louisville Market.

LOUISVILLE, August 24.—Bacon—Sales 53 hhds; no change in price. Cotton quiet; middling up-lands 23½c.

COTTON MARKETS.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, August 24.—Cotton quiet; good ordinary 21c; receipts 1,200 bales; sales 3,000.

Charleston.

CHARLESTON, August 24.—Cotton steady; middling 23½c.

Galveston.

GALVESTON, August 24.—Cotton quiet; good ordinary 21½@22c.

Savannah.

SAVANNAH, August 24.—Cotton quiet; middling 23½c.

Mobile.

MOBILE, August 24.—Cotton in no demand; middling nominal.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, August 24.—Cotton—Demand light and holders firm; middling upland nominally 23½c.

OCEAN STEAMERS.

Date of Departure from New York.

Wisconsin	August 28	Liverpool.
Helvetia	August 28	London.
Bohemia	August 28	Glasgow.
Columbia	August 31	Glasgow.
City of Brussels	August 31	Liverpool.
Republic	August 31	Liverpool.
Spain	August 31	Liverpool.
Rhine	Septby 4	Liverpool.
Nevada	Septby 4	Liverpool.
Britannia	Septby 5	Liverpool.
City of New York	Septby 5	Liverpool.
Java	Septby 7	Liverpool.
City of Paris	Septby 7	Liverpool.
Ville du Havre	Septby 7	Liverpool.
Greece	Septby 7	Liverpool.
Ville de Paris	Septby 7	France.
Europa	Septby 9	Bremen.
Arragon	Septby 10	Bristol.
Minnesota	Septby 11	Liverpool.
Erin	Septby 11	London.
Adriatic	Septby 11	Liverpool.
Wyoming	Septby 11	Liverpool.
City of Limerick	Septby 12	Liverpool.
Westphalia	Septby 12	Liverpool.
City of Antwerp	Septby 14	Liverpool.
Adriatic	Septby 14	Liverpool.
Egypt	Septby 14	Liverpool.
Algeria	Septby 14	Liverpool.
Cuba	Septby 18	Liverpool.
Caledonia	Septby 18	Liverpool.
Holsatia	Septby 18	Hamburg.
Batavia	Septby 21	Liverpool.
Saint Laurent	Septby 21	France.
India	Septby 21	Liverpool.
Denmark	Septby 25	London.
Olympia	Septby 25	Liverpool.
Minnesota	Septby 26	Liverpool.
California	Septby 28	Liverpool.
Etruscia	Octoby 2	Liverpool.
Wisconsin	Octoby 2	Liverpool.

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RIVER TELEGRAMS.

Wheeling, W. Va.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WHEELING, W. Va., August 25, 1872.

River four feet three inches and falling. Clear and warm.

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For Latest River Dispatches See Outside.

RIVER NEWS.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Arrived.

Elector.....R. R. Abrams.....Geneva.
Kenneth.....Houghton.....Elizabeth.
Chieftain.....Hendrickson.....Geneva.

Departed.

Elector.....R. R. Abrams.....Geneva.
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THE VERY LATEST.

ARCTIC REGIONS.

News from Hall's Expedition.

Officers and Men All Well.

Successful Progress and Encouraging Prospect.

The Reported Disaster a Canard.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, August 25, 1872.

The Navy Department has received later dispatches from Capt. Hall, via Tydskland and Copenhagen, completing his official record up to the moment of final departure from North Greenland. These dispatches, which are quite full, bear date off Tassak Tussuisska, north latitude 73 degrees, 21 minutes, west longitude 56 degrees five minutes, August 24th, 1871, and are therefore only four days later than Hall's Uppernavik dispatch, August 20th, 1871, which reached the department within three months via Copenhagen. The explanation of this long delay in transit is, that there is no regular communication between Denmark and these far off colonies but once a year. Hall's Uppernavik dispatches were timed to reach the Danish brig just then sailing, and this present dispatch, sent back by native pilots, as he notes in concluding it, may have had near a year's detention at Disco. It seems to have reached the American Minister at Copenhagen about the 30th of July. Although thus divested of any special value as new, the present dispatch is of much intrinsic interest. All on board the Polaris, officers, scientific corps and men, were well and in excellent spirits. The sea-going qualities of the vessel had been tested and found admirable. The engines and machinery were in perfect working order, coal, rosin, &c., in good supply, and the ship's crew abundantly provisioned for the long Arctic night before them. They had books, games, instrumental music, &c. In a word, everything that the thoughtful care of the department could supply, or letters of credit at Newfoundland and in Greenland furnish, had been laid in to complete their outfit of all this Captain Hall makes characteristic and thankful acknowledgement. Governor Elberg, of the Upernavick district, had accompanied the Polaris as far as Tossas, the extremest northern limits of Danish jurisdiction as well as of civilized life, and was to the last moment assiduous in his exertions to further the interests of the expedition. Mainly through his co-operation Hall was fortunate enough at Tossack to make up his full complement of Esquimaux dogs, a matter of almost vital importance. He likewise laid in a large supply of dog feed, and considerably augmented his stock of reindeer furs, seal skins, etc., for the adventurous voyage. At Uppernavick the expedition had shipped Hans Christian, a famous native hunter and dog driver, with his wife and three children. Jensen, the Dane, who was under promise to join the expedition at Tossack, backed out at the last moment. Gov. Elberg, of whose many kindnesses Hall speaks with a full heart, waited at Tossak the return of the native pilots bearing this dispatch to the Danish mail-packet, and then accompanied the expedition to Proven. Here Hall met Baron Von Otter and left copies of his log, deep sea surroundings, &c., as a precaution against the possible loss of the Polaris. From Proven the expedition steamed to Copenhagen. The explanation of this long delay in transit is, that there is no regular communication between Denmark and these far off colonies but once a year. Hall's Uppernavik dispatches were timed to reach the Danish brig just then sailing, and this present dispatch, sent back by native pilots, as he notes in concluding it, may have had near a year's detention at Disco. It seems to have reached the American Minister at Copenhagen about the 30th of July. Although thus divested of any special value as new, the present dispatch is of much intrinsic interest. 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Although thus divested of any special value as new, the present dispatch is of much intrinsic interest. All on board the Polaris, officers, scientific corps and men, were well and in excellent spirits. The sea-going qualities of the vessel had been tested and found admirable. The engines and machinery were in perfect working order, coal, rosin, &c., in good supply, and the ship's crew abundantly provisioned for the long Arctic night before them. They had books, games, instrumental music, &c. In a word, everything that the thoughtful care of the department could supply, or letters of credit at Newfoundland and in Greenland furnish, had been laid in to complete their outfit of all this Captain Hall makes characteristic and thankful acknowledgement. Governor Elberg, of the Upernavick district, had accompanied the Polaris as far as Tossas, the extremest northern limits of Danish jurisdiction as well as of civilized life, and was to the last moment assiduous in his exertions to further the interests of the expedition. Mainly through his co-operation Hall was fortunate enough at Tossack to make up his full complement of Esquimaux dogs, a matter of almost vital importance. He likewise laid in a large supply of dog feed, and considerably augmented his stock of reindeer furs, seal skins, etc., for the adventurous voyage. At Uppernavick the expedition had shipped Hans Christian, a famous native hunter and dog driver, with his wife and three children. Jensen, the Dane, who was under promise to join the expedition at Tossack, backed out at the last moment. Gov. 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Acting on this information, and under the discretionary power vested in him by the Navy Department, Captain Hall had abandoned Jones's Sound route, and had decided, before he left Uppernavick, that, after stopping at Tossak, he would cross Melville Bay to Cape Dudley, and from that point steam direct to Smith's Sound, thence make all possible attempts to find a passage on the west side of the sound from Cape Isabella up to Kennedy channel, wintering there probably in about the same latitude, a little higher, than his former winter quarters, and thence on and up to the North Pole.

The letter published in the New York *Times*, April 26th, purporting to narrate a disaster to the Polaris and her return last February to Disco, was a canard. Not one word of it has ever been received at the Navy Department. It is not believed that any disaster has overtaken the expedition, or that any ground for apprehension exists.

Another New Planet Discovered.

UTICA, N. Y., August 25.—The following communication, addressed to the Utica *Herald*, was received to-day:

LITCHFIELD OBSERVATORY, of Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y., August 24.—Another new planet was discovered last night, the one hundred and twenty-fourth of the group of asteroids. It is a bright shining star of the tenth magnitude, and its position one hour after midnight was in twenty-two hours, twenty-one minutes, twenty-two seconds of the right ascension, and in seventeen degrees fifteen minutes and thirty seconds of the south declination.

[Signed] C. H. F. PETERS.

THE NEW DIAMOND FIELDS.

An Unvarnished Tale by the Original Civilized Discoverer—The Precious Gems Plentier Than Chicago Fire Bricks.

[From the Lacrosse Sentinel.]

We have the honor of first placing before the country the only authentic history and circumstances connected with the great diamond discovery, which we gain'ed from the original discoverer, Mr. Edward Arnold. The main facts were in our possession some days ago, but at the request of parties most interested it was not published at that time. Our readers will remember that on the 15th inst. there appeared in the *Sentinel* an article on this subject. The next morning we were waited on by Mr Arnold, when the following conversation took place, to wit, to-hold.—"It is no use for me to misrepresent matters to you regarding your article in last evening's issue, for you have got us down to a hole. I came here for the purpose of fitting out an expedition, as you state, supposing that it could be done without our intention or destination being discovered. The San Francisco papers have been working in the dark, publishing all sorts of nonsense regarding this important discovery, but you are the only one who has yet hit us hard. We will compromise, if agreeable to you, as we are not ready to have the facts made public. If you will let up on us for a few days, we will give you the facts in full, and you shall publish the first authentic account of the affair." Satisfied that we would remain quiet until such time as he was ready to have the matter made public, Mr. Arnold proceeded: "I am the original discoverer of the diamond district. My first visit to the fields was in July, 1869. I was prospecting for Indian relics and hunting for gold. One day an Indian came to me bringing about a pint of bright and peculiar shaped crystals. The Indian assured me that they were diamonds, and that the locality where they were to be found had been known to his tribe for many years. After making him some presents, and with a heap of persuasion, he consented to accompany me to the ground. It was a three days' journey, and we started immediately. I found the fields located on the slope of a mountain, of sandstone formation; and so plenty were the gems to be found that I picked up a quart or more in a few minutes. I started next day, with fear and hope, for San Francisco. On my arrival there I carried the stones to J. Janin, a jeweler, on Montgomery street, who pronounced them worthless. I was not satisfied. I heard of a French lapidary in the city who had worked at Amsterdam, Holland, the great diamond cutting mart of the world, and to him I repaired for his opinion. He pronounced them diamonds of the first water. My friends in some manner got hold of the matter, and it was creating some excitement. When questioned, I referred to Tucker. This satisfied them, and threw them off. To make assurance doubly sure, I sent one of the stones to Fossa, Morris & Co., Boston, and had it cut. This relieved my mind of all doubt. I went back that season and brought out with me about $200,000 worth. I made two trips in 1870, two in 1871, and one this year, in company with Dodge, Newbery and Henry Janin. Newbery will verify my statements to the company I was then forming. On this occasion, in washing about a ton and a half of dirt, we found about $80,000 worth of rather small stones. The publishing of this report of Janin's was the greatest mistake we have made, for it set all the old miners upon us. These diamonds were discovered before the two pretenders were ever in that country. I know them both well. They are "frauds." Here he showed us a beautiful brilliant of about seven karats, saying: "This is one that I brought out with me on my last trip. Dodge, who accompanied us on that occasion, is a very poor miner. He is too well fixed to mine. After being on the grounds for a few hours, he positively refused to pick up the diamonds when they were under his very nose. Janin's report was more than satisfactory, and the company was formed, with a capital of $10,000,000. It was still thought necessary to keep the locality a secret. I started South and secured twenty negroes, thinking that I could move them out to the location to get about six months' work out of them, when I would have been willing that the world should know the location. I got them here, and had them equipped, and was ready to start, when I lost confidence in the colored troops and concluded to send them home. They had been on the ground only about three weeks, and I gave them $150 each, and they were well satisfied. General McClellan has come on, and matters are satisfactorily arranged. I go to Canon City, Colorado, from which place I shall start with one hundred picked men and experienced miners. Our claim is all right. We are protected by the government, and we have concluded to go ahead in the matter boldly. Miner and Fox, of Colorado, claim to have discovered the spot where our gems are found, but the best speak of seeing the men which we have on the ground working and holding possession. From Canon City our route lies southwest, through St. Louis valley three hundred miles, and south of the Mosquis Village, near Flax River. About $2,500,000 worth of brilliants have been gathered up to this date, figured at a low estimate. I took out one weighing 405 carats on my first visit. I could pick them up on the slope of the mountain without trouble. The rains had washed the surface dirt off and exposed them to view. I have denied, upon all occasions, any knowledge of the location of the diamond district, except to my company. I have been obliged to do so to protect the interests of my friends and myself. You are the first outsider who has obtained any accurate account of this affair. Humboldt speaks of this country as a region where diamonds should be found, and Lieut. Ives, who passed through that section in 1857 with a surveying party, describes the rubies and emeralds found there, and speaks of finding stones resembling diamonds, none of which were tested by competent judges. We believe that the gravel in which the gems are found occupies an area of some three hundred thousand acres. The tract is on government land, and the government has issued its patent for the entire area. The patent is now in my office, before the power of the United States to protect them in the possession and enjoyment of their property."

The company of which Mr. Arnold is the leader is incorporated as the California and New York Mining and Commercial Company, with the following named Trustees: Hon. M. S. Latham, President of the Lonsdale and San Francisco Bank; Albert Gansel, of B. Davidson & Co., Rothschilds' agents; Hon. Thos. A. Scott, of the Texas Pacific Railroad; Hon. Alexander McDonald, of San Francisco, and General York City. The capital stock is $10,000,000. Mr. Janin, the engineer and mineralogist of the company, estimates the cash value of the jewels already secured at $7,000,000, and says there can be no estimate of the wealth embodied in the company's rights. Mr. J. Edwards Arnold is a Kentuckian by birth, and is forty years of age. He came into the Western country at the age of eighteen, and has, therefore, had the experience of twenty-two years. At 20, he was at one time the partner of old Bill Bridger, and he said to know the Western country better than any man now living. He has acquired a fortune through his diamond discoveries, and after getting the company into working order, he proposes to retire, and no longer to lead the life of a hardy miner.

THE Paris *Figaro* tells this story of an abnormal appetite: M. Geoffrey Ste. Hilaire, the well-known director of the *Jardin d'Acclimatation*, noticed that the small birds were rapidly and mysteriously disappearing. After some day's watch, it was found that a little African negro, who took care of the camels, was the culprit. He was caught in the act of eating a fine rose-colored crane. It was alive, and uttering hideous cries, while the young monster bit into it raw and bleeding back. He confessed to having stolen and devoured alive other missing birds. A sound whipping seems to have done him no good, for he was found three hours afterward engaged in a furious battle with the seal, which he probably intended to kill and eat. He was at once put in close confinement.

MONTE CHRISTO IN THE PACIFIC.

Queer Story of a Remarkable Hunt for Gold.

Theodore Kirchhoff, late of San Francisco, contributes to the Gartenlaube, a German journal, a very curious account of a gold-hunt, the substances of which is as follows.

On the 28th of February last the brig Laura set sail from San Francisco, having on board provisions and necessaries for eight months' use, and carrying as its crew Capt. Thomas Welch and his wife Eliza, and eight members of the "South Pacific Treasure Prospecting Company." They expected to find coin and jewels to the amount of $35,000,000—all stowed away, according to Capt. Welch's account, by a pirate crew of which he is the only survivor. It is a wild story that he tells—a mixture apparently of the old buccaneering narratives, the sentimental novel of the penultimate generation, and the modern romance of Dumas. Welch was kidnaped, he says, in early youth at some English seaside place by

A PIRATICAL DESPERADO,

A disappointed suitor of his mother's, she having been forced against her will to give her hand to a nobleman of Kent, Welch's father. With him was taken a young girl—his play-fellow Eliza, now his wife. Young Welch was incorporated into the pirate crew. His captain's ship became the terror of the West Indian seas, and his success emboldened the captain to more and more enterprising measures. In 1818, when the South American republics threw off the yoke of Spain, he doubled Cape Horn, and lay in wait for the Spanish galleons traversing the Pacific with the gold of Peru. They did not succeed in capturing the treasure, but men from the British islands and eight guns. From time to time the captain made recruits in the ports of Chili and Peru, and made friendly connections with the people in those parts in order to keep up his knowledge of the Spanish maritime movements. His captured treasure became at last so large that he sought a place where to deposit it, and discovered—

THE COCOS ISLAND,

Situated in the Pacific ocean, 5:35 N. latitude, and about 300 nautical miles west of Panama Here was a hill of moderate height, and inside it a cavern, where the treasure was carefully stored away. After counting over its amount and covering the spot from observation, the buccaneers returned to their trade. The whole marauding party, with the exception of Welch and Eliza, who got off in a boat, were surprised and cut to pieces when laying their plans for an attack on one of the richest cities on the coast of South America. Thirty years after—in the year 1860—Welch and Eliza turned up in San Francisco. They left this sale, and said that in the interval they have been living at New York, in New Zealand and elsewhere. In 1855 they actually persuaded some adventurers at San Francisco to start on the search for the Cocos Island. The expedition proved fruitless. But in 1867 a company was formed for the discovery of the hidden treasure, and Welch was placed in command of a schooner called the Petrel.

Again the enterprise proved abortive. Welch said that a conspiracy was formed against his life and that of his wife, and that he therefore steered the ship to Panama and quitted it. Those who went with him on the Petrel improved himself utterly incapable of managing the vessel, and had to run into Panama for safety. The whole story of the Cocos Island treasure was a monstrous swindle, people now proclaimed. And yet "hope springs eternal in the human breast," and we find that in 1870 Welch was taken on board as a passenger and guide by a party of discovery sent out under the auspices of the government of Costa Rica; and this time it is averred that they reached.

THE IDENTICAL ISLAND.

And landed on it, and came to the foot of the hill, and were only prevented from getting at the promised treasure by the impossibility of finding the opening, and Welch's obstinacy in refusing to point it out—a refusal which he adopted at the middle of last month, and threatening had been commenced in the German colonies about Odessa. The prospects for the crops in the Azof region and Southern Russia are better than they were early in the season, when a severe drought prevailed. In the north of Denmark and in Scandinavia the crop prospects were, on the whole, favorable.

THE following instance of extraordinary good fortune is recorded by the London *Era*: "Miss Edith Challis, a well known actress in London and New York, while traveling some months since, was very attentive to an old lady who fell ill on the journey and subsequently died. Last week Miss Challis was greatly astonished at receiving a letter from her late friend, to the effect that the kindness shown to the old lady had resulted in her being remembered in her will to the extent of two thousand dollars a year for life. In consequence of this she retires from the stage."

CITY MATTERS.

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LOCAL POLITICS.

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The Vigilance Committee for Wilkins township appointed a meeting to be held in the school house, in Wilkinsburg, on Friday evening. By some means it got noised about that a public meeting was to be held, and by eight o'clock there was a large attendance, showing an unusual degree of interest among the Republicans of the district.

Mr. Joseph Woodwell, Chairman of the Vigilance Committee, presided, and Messrs. Wilmur F. McKelvy and William Anderson were chosen Secretaries, and William Swissheim, Treasurer. Messrs. James Kelly and James P. Lane were chosen Vice Presidents. The name of Mr. Richard Beatty was added to the Vigilance Committee.

Squire Swift moved that a committee of ten be appointed to make arrangements for a public meeting, to be held in Wilkinsburg on Friday evening next. The motion was adopted, and the chair appointed Messrs. Henry Swift, James Kelly, Wm. Anderson, Albert Bennett, W. F. McKelvy, J. C. Paul, John Rice, J. J. Walker, Alex. Lindsay, Dan. Double. The committee are to select speakers, erect a stand, and make all necessary arrangements.

On motion Messrs. H. R. Chalfant, John Dickson, James S. Woodwell, R. W. Beatty, J. S. McKelvy, and J. B. Hull were appointed a Committee on Finance.

Inasmuch as the attendance was large, it was resolved to enrol the names of all those who wished to join in the nomination of a Grant, Wilson and Hartranft club. All the young men, and most of the older ones, signed the roll, and the organization will be completed hereafter.

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A permanent organization was effected by the election of the following officers: President, Paul A. Cupp; Secretaries, Wm. Pearson; Sergeants-at-Arms, J. Harrison Jones and John Peterson; Treasurer, Joseph Magruder. The usual committees were also appointed. About fifty persons joined the club.

The Central Tanner Club.

The Central Tanner Club, the banner Republican club of 1868, held an adjourned meeting on Saturday night at their headquarters in City Hall, and adopted a style of uniform. A number of additions were made to the membership. It is the intention of the members to make this club a permanent one, as it is considered by them more than any other their son's covenanted share of the spoil. After their own business meeting will be held to-morrow evening in the same place.

A rip-roaring time the Second ward club will be held this evening in Wilkins Hall.

The Sixth Ward Club.

The Sixth ward Grant, Wilson and Hartranft club held a business meeting on Saturday evening, which was largely attended—President Everson in the chair.

This is one of the largest clubs in the city, having now an enrolment of over two hundred, with uniforms already procured for one hundred and fifty.

An advisory board of active members was made to Executive Committee from which work is expected. The marching club decided to turn out on Tuesday evening at the meeting on Webster avenue. A resolution was passed to the appointment of a committee of five to "block" the ward, and to suggest names of canvassers.

After the adjournment of the club, the Executive Committee met and organized, and decided to have a stand erected on Stevenson street for public meetings.

SERIOUS STABBING AFFRAY.

A Railroad Employee Probably Fatally Injured.

A stabbing affray occurred about half past two o'clock yesterday afternoon, at Carney station, on the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad, about thirty-seven miles from the city. A number of employees on the road, who had been stationed at that point for some time past, had a mimic tournament in order to while away sport with a half witted individual residing in this locality, and who is known as crazy Colored Hodgers. Rodgers was considerably annoyed by these employees, and when they commenced teasing him yesterday afternoon he drew his long bone handled butcher-knife and stabbed one of the employees, named Holland, in the right side, just above the nipple, the knife penetrating the bowels. A number of physicians were summoned, who upon examination found that the wound was a most serious one and may result fatally. Rodgers is at large. No arrests near the corner of Van Braam and Huff streets. He was brought to his home on the train this evening, at half past seven, and is now lying in a critical condition.

Who is He?

A traveling agent from Dayton, Ohio, named Henry J. Rigdon met with a singular adventure on Friday last. He was proceeding from McDonald's Station to Wales Mill, when he saw a man with out coat or vest, throwing stones at a tree. His shirt was bloody, the sleeves torn from the garment, and his singular conduct and suspicious appearance led Mr. Rigdon to stop and ask him what was the matter. The stranger man replied that he was hunting for his wife and was determined to find her. In answer to further questions, he stated that he had left Pittsfields, and was on his way home to see his Lizzie, baby, for Lizzie was dead. He had left Pittsfields on the train by the conductor because he was crazy. After making these statements, the strange and insane man drew out a revolver and a dirk knife, and with that he was determined to find her. After exhibiting the money, he put it back in his pocket and again began a pitiful pleading to see his wife. Said he had a full of Bitters the date 1851, a baby-cart and a carpet sack. The carpet, he said, was Lizzie's, and it was the only piece of furniture of whom he spoke of with the greatest affection. Seeing that he could do nothing for him, Mr. Rigdon left the conductor to do so. The latter gave him six feet high; dark hair and eyes; about twenty-eight years of age; about 160 pounds in weight; dark skin paste. He had a large ring on the little finger of his left hand, and there was a gold watch and chain. On his arm, which was bare, were the initials F. N. Neal Pa., and to him I refer. He would give no other name but Frank. Mr. Rigdon notified a farmer near by, Mr. Cook, of the circumstance, but nothing more was seen or heard of the strange man. From all appearances, the unknown is a man in good circumstances, and had become deranged while on his way home.

The Rail-Riding at Braddock.

The suits growing out of the riding of Daniel Fallon, of Braddock township, on a rail, and the assault upon Mrs. Jourdan, at the same time and place, took place before Alderman Strain, on Saturday, as follows:

J. W. L. Robinson has preferred charges of selling liquor without license, selling liquor on Sunday, and selling liquor to minors against Mrs. Jourdan. She gave bail in the sum of $400 for court in each case.

William Campbell had made information against the same defendant for selling liquor to minors. The prosecutor failed to appear, and the case was dismissed.

John Falbey had made an information charging James Giles, Wm. Holden, Thomas Jackson, Louis Schweinberger and James Streithren with riot. The defendants in this case also gave bail for court.

Mary Jourdan had made information against Thos. Jackson and Robert Holden for assault and battery. The accused gave bail for court.

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New Election Precinct.

A petition was presented in the Court of Common Pleas, Saturday, asking for the division of Wilkins township into two election precincts. The court granted the petition, and appointed the following officers: First Precinct—Judge—Wm. Swissheim. Inspectors—Wm. Turner, George Harrison. Return Inspectors—August Steiner, John McAfee. Second District—Judge—H. R. Chalfant. Inspectors—Wm. McIntosh, Daniel Wertz. Return Inspectors—Oliver B. Duff, Thomas J. Chalfant. The election in precinct No. 1, will be held at the school house in Wilkinsburg, and in No. 2 at the house of John Jenkner, in the village of Turtle Creek.

Allegheny Mortuary Report.

Following is the mortuary report of Allegheny, as prepared by Health Officer Hoch, showing the number of deaths and the causes thereof, during the week ending August 23, as follows: Cholera infantum, 18; convulsions, 3; morasmus, 6; accident, 3; dysentery, 2; congestion of brain, 2; typhoid fever, 2; consumption, 2; inflammation of bowels, 2; whooping cough, 1; old age, 2; tabes mesentrica, 1; diphtheria, 1; paralysis, 1; colic, 1; meningitis, 1; scarlet fever, 1; dropsy, 1; apoplexy, 1. Of the adults there were under one year, 19; from one to two, 12; from two to five, 5; from five to ten, 1; from twenty to thirty, 4; from thirty to forty, 2; from forty to fifty, 1; from fifty to sixty, 1; from seventy to eighty, 1; from eighty to ninety, 1. Of whites, 48; colored, 2; males, 34; female, 26; total 50.

Suicide on a Railway Train.

Saturday morning, when an eastern bound train on the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway was seven miles east of Columbus, a man was found in the closet of one of the cars, seated on the bench, with a bullet hole in his head, and a pistol lying on the floor. The deceased was a middle aged man, tolerably well dressed, and appears, in good circumstances. He was a stranger to all the passengers, and had probably got on at Chelmsford, and shot himself soon after, as he was cold and stiff when found. At Newark the train waited an hour for the Coroner, but that official could not be found, and the car was switched off and left there, as the law of Ohio requires that the Coroner's jury must see the corpse as it was when found.

A Bold Daylight Robbery.

On Saturday afternoon, the residence of Mr. Michael Robb, at 139 Penn street, was entered by a thief and $295 in money stolen, and also a watch by Mr. Robb had received the money on Thursday last as part pay for some property he had disposed of, and had placed it in his trunk, intending to add to it five dollars from his week's wages, and then deposit the $300 to-day. In the afternoon Mrs Robb attended a funeral, but left the house, as she thought, securely fastened. Upon returning home, however, she found the rear and side windows were raised, and suspecting something wrong, examined the trunk, when she discovered the robbery. So far there is no clue to the thief.

MR. J. W. McCready, of the First ward, Allegheny, made information before Alderman McMasters on Saturday, charging Mrs. Robinson, a neighbor, with larceny by bailee. He alleged that the accused borrowed from his wife a set of tuting irons worth $18, which she refuses to return. A warrant was issued.

PROBABLE FATAL ACCIDENT.

A Drover Seriously Injured While Jumping From One Train to Another.

A drover named John Ellis met with an accident yesterday afternoon at the Allegheny Stock Yards, which may result fatally. Mr. Ellis had a car load of sheep for East Liberty, and the train to which his stock was attached stopped for a few minutes to drop a car of cattle at Allegheny, consigned to Marks & Bro. While this was being done, a section of a stock train going to East Liberty passed along, and as the tracks at these yards are only a few feet apart, Mr. Ellis, thinking to get to his destination sooner, attempted to jump on the passing train. He miscalculated the distance and fell to the ground, a distance of twelve feet. His left leg was run over, and crushed in a frightful manner. Dr. Buchanan and a number of other physicians were summoned, who found that amputation was necessary. The limb was accordingly amputated to the thigh, after which the unfortunate man was removed to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, where he is now lying in a critical condition, and is greatly reduced from loss of blood.

Mr. Ellis is about forty-seven years of age, and resides at Upper Saxonburg, Ohio. He has a brother-in-law named M. B. Shoower residing at East Liberty.

A Sad Case.

Word was brought to Health officer Hoch, of Allegheny, yesterday afternoon, that a man was lying dangerously ill in a freight car on the Pan Handle depot on Anderson street. Mr. Hoch, accompanied by Dr. Smith, physician to the Poor Board, repaired to the depot. The physician found that the man, who gave his name as Thomas Kelly, was suffering from fever and ague, and that he was greatly prostrated. He was removed to the dock-up, where he received all the care and attention necessary. He will be removed to the Poor Farm to-day. He states he was originally from Hartranft's, in Grant, Wilson and Hartranft club. All the young men, and most of the older ones, signed the roll, and the organization will be completed hereafter.

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We are pleased to state that the Republicans of Nations are all right, to a man. There is not a single grocery man among them, but all the other hand there are a number of Democrats who will not touch a Greeley ticket.

Colored Club Organized.

A meeting of the colored Republicans of the Fifth and sixth wards, Allegheny, was held on Friday evening, for the purpose of forming a colored club. The meeting was largely attended, and much enthusiasm manifested.

A permanent organization was effected by the election of the following officers: President, Paul A. Cupp; Secretaries, Wm. Pearson; Sergeants-at-Arms, J. Harrison Jones and John Peterson; Treasurer, Joseph Magruder. The usual committees were also appointed. About fifty persons joined the club.

The Central Tanner Club.

The Central Tanner Club, the banner Republican club of 1868, held an adjourned meeting on Saturday night at their headquarters in City Hall, and adopted a style of uniform. A number of additions were made to the membership. It is the intention of the members to make this club a permanent one, as it is considered by them more than any other their son's covenanted share of the spoil. After their own business meeting will be held to-morrow evening in the same place.

A rip-roaring time the Second ward club will be held this evening in Wilkins Hall.

The Sixth Ward Club.

The Sixth ward Grant, Wilson and Hartranft club held a business meeting on Saturday evening, which was largely attended—President Everson in the chair.

This is one of the largest clubs in the city, having now an enrolment of over two hundred, with uniforms already procured for one hundred and fifty.

An advisory board of active members was made to Executive Committee from which work is expected. The marching club decided to turn out on Tuesday evening at the meeting on Webster avenue. A resolution was passed to the appointment of a committee of five to "block" the ward, and to suggest names of canvassers.

After the adjournment of the club, the Executive Committee met and organized, and decided to have a stand erected on Stevenson street for public meetings.

SERIOUS STABBING AFFRAY.

A Railroad Employee Probably Fatally Injured.

A stabbing affray occurred about half past two o'clock yesterday afternoon, at Carney station, on the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad, about thirty-seven miles from the city. A number of employees on the road, who had been stationed at that point for some time past, had a mimic tournament in order to while away sport with a half witted individual residing in this locality, and who is known as crazy Colored Hodgers. Rodgers was considerably annoyed by these employees, and when they commenced teasing him yesterday afternoon he drew his long bone handled butcher-knife and stabbed one of the employees, named Holland, in the right side, just above the nipple, the knife penetrating the bowels. A number of physicians were summoned, who upon examination found that the wound was a most serious one and may result fatally. Rodgers is at large. No arrests near the corner of Van Braam and Huff streets. He was brought to his home on the train this evening, at half past seven, and is now lying in a critical condition.

Who is He?

A traveling agent from Dayton, Ohio, named Henry J. Rigdon met with a singular adventure on Friday last. He was proceeding from McDonald's Station to Wales Mill, when he saw a man without coat or vest, throwing stones at a tree. His shirt was bloody, the sleeves torn from the garment, and his singular conduct and suspicious appearance led Mr. Rigdon to stop and ask him what was the matter. The stranger man replied that he was hunting for his wife and was determined to find her. In answer to further questions, he stated that he had left Pittsfields, and was on his way home to see his Lizzie, baby, for Lizzie was dead. He had left Pittsfields on the train by the conductor because he was crazy. After making these statements, the strange and insane man drew out a revolver and a dirk knife, and with that he was determined to find her. After exhibiting the money, he put it back in his pocket and again began a pitiful pleading to see his wife. Said he had a full of Bitters the date 1851, a baby-cart and a carpet sack. The carpet, he said, was Lizzie's, and it was the only piece of furniture of whom he spoke of with the greatest affection. Seeing that he could do nothing for him, Mr. Rigdon left the conductor to do so. The latter gave him six feet high; dark hair and eyes; about twenty-eight years of age; about 160 pounds in weight; dark skin paste. He had a large ring on the little finger of his left hand, and there was a gold watch and chain. On his arm, which was bare, were the initials F. N. Neal Pa., and to him I refer. He would give no other name but Frank. Mr. Rigdon notified a farmer near by, Mr. Cook, of the circumstance, but nothing more was seen or heard of the strange man. From all appearances, the unknown is a man in good circumstances, and had become deranged while on his way home.

The Rail-Riding at Braddock.

The suits growing out of the riding of Daniel Fallon, of Braddock township, on a rail, and the assault upon Mrs. Jourdan, at the same time and place, took place before Alderman Strain, on Saturday, as follows:

J. W. L. Robinson has preferred charges of selling liquor without license, selling liquor on Sunday, and selling liquor to minors against Mrs. Jourdan. She gave bail in the sum of $400 for court in each case.

William Campbell had made information against the same defendant for selling liquor to minors. The prosecutor failed to appear, and the case was dismissed.

John Falbey had made an information charging James Giles, Wm. Holden, Thomas Jackson, Louis Schweinberger and James Streithren with riot. The defendants in this case also gave bail for court.

Mary Jourdan had made information against Thos. Jackson and Robert Holden for assault and battery. The accused gave bail for court.

The same prosecutrix preferred a charge of surety of the peace against James Giles, Wm. Holden, Thomas Jackson, Robert Holden, Louis Schweinberger and James Streithrein. The accused gave bail for court.

James John Falbey made information for assault and battery against James Giles, Wm. Holden, Thomas Jackson, Robert Holden, Louis Schweinberger and James Streithrein. The defendants in this case also gave bail for court.

New Election Precinct.

A petition was presented in the Court of Common Pleas, Saturday, asking for the division of Wilkins township into two election precincts. The court granted the petition, and appointed the following officers: First Precinct—Judge—Wm. Swissheim. Inspectors—Wm. Turner, George Harrison. Return Inspectors—August Steiner, John McAfee. Second District—Judge—H. R. Chalfant. Inspectors—Wm. McIntosh, Daniel Wertz. Return Inspectors—Oliver B. Duff, Thomas J. Chalfant. The election in precinct No. 1, will be held at the school house in Wilkinsburg, and in No. 2 at the house of John Jen